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recount his past conquests.—Lodge.

WASHINGTON LETTER

There has long been a feeling in congress, among Democrats and Republicans alike, that the president should be vested with power, through an amendment to the constitution, to veto individual items of appropriation instead of being compelled to disapprove an entire bill in order to get rid of one objectionable paragraph in it. Congressman Walter W. Magee of New York is one of those who hold to that view. In Mr. Magee's opinion it is the most effectual means of removing for all time the cry of "pork" when an omnibus appropriation bill has been passed by congress, and cites the law in his own state where the governor has the power to reject one or more items in appropriation bills presented to him for approval. "I trust that the time will come," exclaimed Representative Magee, "when some president, as the leader of a great political party will urge such an amendment to the constitution that will result in the saving of millions of dollars annually to the government."

Prior to the outbreak of the war in Europe our net gain in immigration was more than 64,100 per month. At that rate, during 29 months of the war to the date when the last statistics were published, we would have had a gain of 1,859,000. As a matter of fact, our gain in population through immigration was only 280,000. The war, therefore, caused a relative decrease of 1,579,000 in our population. That is to say, if the war had not occurred our population today would be 1,579,000 greater than it is and this increase would have been chiefly of people of the laboring class. More than a million and a half of working people added to our population would make a vast difference in the rate of wages the laboring people are receiving.

Hon. Frank W. Mondell of Wyoming, took the opportunity recently afforded by a discussion of present day mail routes in the west to call the attention of the House to the sorry express of the early days, and the fact that one of the pioneers of that service, Col. Cody, had just passed away. Mr. Mondell paid a glowing tribute to "Buffalo Bill's" life and character, mentioning the debt which the west owed that pioneer for the part he played in the upbuilding of that section of the country. "No man ever lived in the west," asserted Representative Mondell, "who combined, as he did, the sterling qualities which make men useful in stirring and soul-testing days. He was an ideal representative of a time and condition curiously blending the extremes of hardship and romance."

Through correspondence it is developed that there are a few Democrats in congress who approve of the principle involved in the Gallinger amendment to the corrupt practices bill. Two of them, Messrs. Bruckner and Farley, hail from New York, where the blighting effect of the swollen Democratic strength from the south has been most withering. In spite of their utmost efforts, New York Democrats have seen their party in congress, led by the south, proceed to penalize New York by every form of taxation which ingenuity can devise within the limits of the constitution. They do not like it, their constituents do not like it, and they realize that the Gallinger amendment points the way to relief.

PROMINENT WOMAN IS A REDWOOD CITY VISITOR

Mrs. Geraldine Frisbie of San Francisco, also prominent in Relief Corps work in Santa Clara county, was the installing officer at the installation of officers of the Woman's Relief corps in Redwood City Monday night. Mrs. Frisbie is past national president of the Woman's Relief corps.

TAKES CONVICTED MAN TO THE PENITENTIARY

Constable Martin Walsh of Menlo Park went over to San Quentin Wednesday with Joseph Tobash, who was sentenced by Judge Buck Tuesday to serve two years in the penitentiary for passing a bogus check on the Bank of South San Francisco.

The Right Road.

Young man, you are a locomotive; you are a thing that goes by power inside of you; you are made to go. In fact, considered as a machine, you are very far superior to a locomotive. The maker of a locomotive is a man; your maker is man's maker. You are as different from a horse or an ox or a camel as a locomotive is different from a wheelbarrow or a cart or a coach. Now, do you suppose that the being who made you—manufactured your machine and put into it the motive power—did not make a special road for you to run upon? My idea of religion is that it is a railroad for a human locomotive and that just as sure as it undertakes to run upon a road adapted only to animal power it will bury its wheels in the sand, dash itself among rocks and come to inevitable wreck.—J. G. Holland.

HALFMOON BAY ITEMS

Alvin S. Hatch is in San Francisco this week, where he went to confer with his new partner, Paul Jones, in the contracting business. Mr. Hatch knows the lumber business from A to Z, and we bespeak success for him in his new enterprise.

Miss McFadden, a trained nurse from San Francisco who attended Justice of the Peace John H. Pitcher during his recent illness, returned to the city Thursday as her services are no longer required. To the delight of his friends the justice was able to take a walk from his residence to his office and back on Sunday last.

On Sunday, January 21, a very enjoyable time was had at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Meyn at Lobitos when a party of friends from the city gave Mr. Meyn a pleasant surprise by coming to help him celebrate his birthday. An excellent dinner was served by Mrs. Meyn who is a past-master in serving good things to eat, after which all departed to their homes, wishing Mr. Meyn many happy birthdays to come.

Gaspar Lucchesi is dead. He breathed his last on Saturday, after having suffered from pulmonary tuberculosis for some time. Deceased was a native of Italy. The funeral was held last Monday from the local Catholic church. The attendance was very large. The local scribe of Eagles, of which Lucchesi was a member, attended in a body. Interment was made in Pillar cemetery. The deceased was about 29 years old. His early death is mourned by his wife and a young child. He was held in much esteem among his associates.

Government Defense Plans

The Fortifications bill, carrying appropriations for partial defenses on the Pacific coast, passed the House of Representatives Tuesday and included the plans for the fortification of San Mateo county, which will have four 6-inch guns. No other defense plans for the San Francisco bay region are included in this measure except for the repairment of embankments at Port Winfield Scott. It is said that the general Government defense plans call for a far more extensive plan of defense in San Mateo county and the bay region and that the fortification of Halfmoon Bay with 16-inch guns is seriously contemplated.

New Car Being Considered

The Ocean Shore Railroad Company will very shortly give a new model gasoline car a try-out over its line, and if the new car, holding thirty passengers, is successful, the railroad company intends to purchase several of them and give one of the best suburban schedules in the state according to population. It is said that a car will be run every two hours, and if this is done, it spells success for the coastal country, as well as for the Ocean Shore Railroad, and means the building of a large number of new homes in the coastal triangle, as well as the upbuilding of other towns on the coast of San Mateo county. It is also reported that nearly all of the \$2,500,000 has been raised for the completion of the road to Santa Cruz; for the buying of new rolling stock, and the building of a terminal depot at Twelfth and Mission streets, San Francisco.

No one has a monopoly of the making of keys to the door of success. Ideas are the only conquerors whose work lasts.—Max Harden.

Persimmons as Food.

The only fruit, says a bulletin of the department of agriculture, which equals the persimmon in its value as a food is the date. Nevertheless many persons with the persimmon trees in their possession are allowing the fruit to go to waste, either through ignorance of the many uses to which it may be put or through prejudice. There is a saying in the persimmon country that persimmons are "good for dogs, hogs and possums." This, however, is declared to be a gross injustice to a very valuable product.

One reason for the neglect of this fruit is the mistaken idea that persimmons are unfit to eat until they have been touched by frost. As a matter of fact, much of the best fruit is lost every year because it ripens and falls to the ground, where, not being touched by frost, it is left to rot. Such persimmons are as not edible before frost comes are a late variety of the fruit, and the reason that they pucker the mouth is because they have not yet ripened. In general, the best fruit is that which ripens just before the leaves fall.

Doing It Up Brown.
"Mrs. Blank is in deep mourning, isn't she?"
"Very deep. I hear that she has discharged her blond chauffeur and hired a colored one."—Boston Transcript.

No Wonder.
The Leaning Tower of Pisa explained.
"I started to faint when I saw the architect's bill!" it cried.—Chicago Herald.

He that is overcautions will accomplish little.—Schiller.

REALTY TRANSFERS

Furnished to the Times-Gazette by Geo. H. Rice Abstract Co., C. M. Doxsee, manager.

Peter Faber and wife to Edward Paul Bernard. One acre, portion lot 24 Faber Addition.
Rhettie Morrell and Ralph C. Brown, trustees, to Eliza M. Brown. Lot 1 to 16 block 2; lots 10, 13, 22 to 31 block 3; lot 7 Burlingame Grove.
George D. Shadbourne, Jr., trustee, to Katherine Johnson. Lot 8 block 18 Crocker Tract No. 1.
West Redwood Land Company to Elbert A. Parakis. Lot 30 block 5 West Redwood.

David Crockett and wife to Luigi Simontotto. Easterly half of lot 12 block 119 South San Francisco No. 2.
Estate of Frank S. Goularte to Annie Silveira and to Frank Joseph and George Goularte. 9.03 acres, portion of N.W. quarter of Sec. 11, T. 8 S., R. 5 W.

James D. Lee and wife to Frank J. and Mabel E. Heim. Lot 5 block 10, Hillcrest.
T. V. Maxwell and wife to W. H. Spaulding. Lot 24 Palomares Tract.
Estate of Francis James McGuire to Alice M. McGuire. Lot 72 block 6 North Fair Oaks.

Olivia W. Miller and wife to Mrs. W. H. Sweetland. Lot 8 block 11, 875 Lot Homestead Association.

South San Francisco Land and Improvement Company to Matthew Hovis and wife. Lot 35 block 97 Martin's Subdivision of South San Francisco.

W. H. Spaulding to T. V. Maxwell and wife. Lot 24 Palomares Tract.
Emma Wilsey Trumbull to Robert Wallace. Lots 3, 4 and 5 block 1 Subdivision of lot 29, Reese Subdivision.

Henrietta Pierce Watkinson to Morris Gross. Lot 28, block A, Mission street Tract.
W. A. Brooke, administrator, to Frank Fernandez. Lots 1 and 2 block 4 Miramonte Tract.

C. A. Hooper and Co. to The Moxey Realty Company to Charles J. Paschon. Lots 10, 11 and 12 block 45 Central Park No. 2.
F. M. Cook and A. F. Harashty to Gustave J. Schmidt. Lot 24 block 1 Jefferson Ave. Addition.

Crocker Estate Company to Beulah E. Brown. Lot 11 block 23, Crocker Estate.
Laura T. Cunningham to Lida B. Taylor. Lot 16 block 42; lot 4 block 45 Lyon and Hoag.

W. A. Gray to Mrs. W. A. Gray. Lots 10 and 11 block 11 Salda Beach First Addition.
Hensley-Green Company to Nunsiana Giffre. Lot 21 block 20 San Bruno Park Third Addition.

M. H. Madsen and wife to A. T. Nielsen. Lot 15 block 7 Central Addition, San Mateo.
Estate of Carsten Diedrich Mues to Madsen Mues. Lot on County Road and Fair Oaks.

Robert Richard Robertson and Gertrude H. Robertson to Edwin O. Edwards. Lot 22 San Mateo County Abstract Company to James V. Neuman. Lot 29 block 2 Francis Beach; lot 1 block 5 Nash Tract.

Lida B. Taylor to Laura T. Cunningham. Lot 8, block 6 Map 2 Burlingame Land Co.
E. J. Wieland to Donald Pierce. Lot 39, block 16, Pedro Terrace.

Bowie Estate Company to George Howard. Lots 4B, 6B map 1 Bowie Estate.
Shadloupe Development Company to Rebecca E. West, Sarah E. Francis & Chas. W. and Albert E. West. Lot 22 block 4 City of Visitation.

Maria Mortara and husband to Amedeo Camata. Lots 72 and 73 block 12 San Bruno Park No. 4.

West San Francisco Land and Improvement Company to South City Lot Co. to Arthur Shophofen. Lots 43 and 44 block A, Lots 21 and 23 block G, Peck's Subdivision, No. 1.

Harr Wagner and wife to Cora B. Wagner. 34.8 acres, portion of lot 60, Halfmoon Bay Colony Tract.

James P. Anderson to A. Andreassen. Lots 12, 13 and 14 block 10 Shore Acres.
Crocker Estate Co. to Barbara L. Dolson. Lot 43 block 2 Crocker Estate Tract.

Crown City Trust and Savings Bank to Maggie V. O. Kendall. Lot 3 block 178 Abbey Homestead.

Edward Cordero to Annie Cordero. Lots 31 and 32 block A San Bruno Park First Addition, Gift.

Thomas G. Low to John Olson and wife. Lot 29 block 4 Crocker Estate Tract.

J. L. Shea to Charles S. Howard. Lot 9 block 1, 9 block 2, lot 15 block 3, lots 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 11 block 4; lot 10 block 5; lots 19, 21, and 22 block 6 Burlingame Villa Park.

Joseph Burns to Mary A. Burns. Lot 21 Palomares Tract.
Calara Valley Realty Company to Thos. J. Stephens. Lot 25 block 24 Vallemar.

Same to O. L. Pink. Lots 1, 2, 41 and 42 block 21 Vallemar.
John E. Carlson and wife to The National Bank of San Mateo. Lots 31 and 32 block H, San Mateo Heights No. 2.

Crocker Estate Company to Patrick W. Charles and wife. Lot 18 block 34, Crocker Tract.

Ethel Dobner to W. H. Watkins. Lot 48 block 1 Dumbarton.

Ellen Miner Ing to Joseph F. Miller. Lot 5 block 33 City Extension Homestead Assn.

Herbert S. Sawyer to William Cranston. Interest in 400 acres being all Punta del Año Nuevo Rancho south of New Years Creek.

Same to Norwood B. Smith. Interest same as above.

Ernest K. Slason and wife to H. W. Post. Portion of lot 7 subdivision 1 San Mateo Park.

Gustaf Silverek to A. A. Harris. Lots 10 and 11 block 25 Vista Grande.

Schwe'n Estate Realty Company to Otto Vogt. Lot 48 block 10 Subdivision No. 1 Schwerin Addition.

Ada C. Williamson to Marjorie H. Williamson. Lots 9 and 10 block 11 Subdivision of Menlo Oaks.

SKYLINE BOULEVARD IS TO BECOME A REALITY

The proposed skyline boulevard on the crest of Santa Cruz mountains is to become a reality, according to State Senator Herbert Jones, who spoke in San Jose yesterday. Senator Jones believes the bill for the new highway will be passed at this session of the legislature.

In his speech Senator Jones said: "We are to have the new skyline boulevard, extending from San Francisco to Wrights Summit, and possibly to Mount Madonna, which will be one of the most beautiful objects of interest in the state. Views had from this road are unsurpassed the world over, and the project is without doubt beneficial for Santa Clara Valley."

HARRIGAN CASE INQUEST HELD IN SAN MATEO

The inquest in the case of the late John J. Harrigan, former newspaper man, who was killed at San Carlos Friday night, resulted in a verdict that the deceased met death by being struck by an automobile driven by an unknown person. The inquest was held Monday night at Snider's undertaking parlors in San Mateo, and Coroner W. A. Brooke presided. The Harrigan funeral was held Monday morning, services at Snider's parlors being held at 9 o'clock, with Father Cavanaugh in charge. Interment at Holy Cross cemetery.

Harrigan was well known in Redwood City, and among the party bearers were County Auditor J. J. Shields, Deputy Auditor Ed. Stack, and County Tax Collector Ambrose McSweeney.

FOUND GUILTY OF ASSAULT WITH A DEADLY WEAPON

Giacoma Squaglia was convicted in the superior court at Redwood City on Tuesday by a jury on which six women sat of assault with a deadly weapon upon A. Garbani, a fellow countryman at a saloon in Halfmoon Bay. Squaglia shot Garbani in the hand. Joseph Tobash, convicted of passing fictitious checks in Daly City, was sentenced to serve two years in San Quentin by Judge George H. Buck.

The women who served on the jury were Eva B. Hostetter, Elizabeth Bloil, Ethel Stickle, Aida Schultz, Christina Voltz and Alfreda A. Sweeney.

REDWOOD CITY WOMAN DIES AFTER A LONG ILLNESS

Mrs. Ralph Hawthorne, 67 years, a native of Illinois, died at her late home in Redwood City Saturday, after an illness of almost a year. She came to California with her parents in 1854, crossing the plains in a wagon. Besides her husband, she is survived by two daughters, Mrs. James McGlynn and Mrs. Thomas Beatty.

FORMER REDWOOD MAN IS ANXIOUS TO AVIATE

W. H. (Bill) Kohler, former resident of Redwood City, where he was known as a builder and inventor of aeroplanes, has submitted his application to enlist in the United States army as a member of the aero squadron. He made his application at the recruiting office in San Francisco.

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CALIFORNIA'S TAX PROBLEM

The 1917 Legislature will not adjourn without the state's revenue and taxation problem being presented to it. Since 1909 this has been the most important question before the legislature. It has been before three sessions without result one way or the other. The state has drifted. Ordinarily good times, such as California enjoyed from 1911 to 1916, have found the present taxation system insufficient for the needs of the state. Improved conditions such as have ruled for a year or more, together with an arbitrary increase in rates imposed by the 1915 legislature, increase in inheritance taxes, etc., have brought in enough for the state's needs. None can say what the next two years be fat or lean, the experience of the last six years under the present revenue and taxation system has demonstrated that the system does not meet the state's requirements.

The 1915 legislature provided for a commission to investigate revenue and taxation matters and report to the present legislature. The commission's report has just been issued. The commission finds the present system inadequate.

To meet the situation the commission suggests three methods of procedure.

First: Change the system back to the basis of assessment and taxation of property at its situs, all taxable property to be levied against for state and local purposes; but retaining the central assessment of public utilities, franchise and similar forms of property, and a central control of all assessments so that equalization may be properly established. Leave to the state the separate sources of revenue, such as inheritance, license and franchise taxes, and give to the counties and cities an income tax in place of tax on intangible and other personal property, such as household goods, workmen's tools and farm machinery.

Second: Adopt a true separation of state and local revenue, leaving the tangible property for taxation in the locality where it is situated, necessitating a central control of all assessment for proper equalization. Leave to the state the income tax, franchise tax, tax on other intangible forms of property, such as the taxable value of banks and insurance companies other than their real estate; the inheritance tax; the license tax and other minor forms of taxes and fees.

Third: Eliminate the present restrictions in the constitution and give the legislature freedom of action in dealing with the revenue system.

The first two suggestions have their possibilities and difficulties. It is up to the legislature, utterly unprepared for the task, to work out the possibilities and overcome the difficulties. As for the third proposition, it was, in October, 1915, submitted to the state in the form of an amendment to the state constitution. It was overwhelmingly defeated. While certain states have left their taxation difficulties wholly in the hands of their legislatures, there is good reason for questioning the practicability of such a course. When the problem of the legislature itself is met, and machinery provided to enable the legislature to do the work required of it, all questions dealing with taxation might possibly be left with it. But until the legislature is provided the means and the time for work already required of it, it would scarcely be good policy to add labors which all must recognize it has not the machinery to perform.—Hitchcock's Legislative Bulletin.

The Redwood City Times-Gazette in a recent issue contained a lengthy editorial advocating Judge Thomas J. Lennon, presiding judge of the Appellate court of the first district, for the position of associate justice of the supreme court. It is understood Judge Henshaw and Judge Lorrigan will not be candidates for re-election and that Mr. Lennon will seek one of those places. Judge Lennon is one of the ablest and one of the best known jurists in the state. He is popular with all classes and would be certain of election should he desire a place on the supreme bench.—Mayfield News.

THE BROSE vs. HAMILTON SUIT

The case of Albert Brose against Alexander Hamilton recently tried in the superior court and submitted to Judge Buck on briefs, was decided on January 31 in favor of the defendant. The question involved was as to the liability of an employer for the negligence of his chauffeur who used his employer's automobile without the consent or knowledge of his employer. The defendant, Hamilton testified that his employee had no authority to use the car at the time of the accident and that he was using it without his knowledge and for his, the chauffeur's, own business and pleasure. There was no liability shown on the part of the defendant. Walter Linforth appeared for the defendant and Hankins and Hankins for the plaintiff.

ANNEXATION FROM NEW VIEWS

The question of annexation was debated before a large audience in the Redwood City Woman's Club house Thursday afternoon. Hamilton Bauer spoke at length for the merger making some very good points. His line of argument was that San Mateo county would be benefited by consolidation in that taxes would be lower, that there would be better railroad transportation, cheaper gas and telephone rates. Mrs. Henry Ward Brown, wife of the late assemblyman, and E. F. McGittigan spoke against the proposition. The main speech against annexation was made by Arthur H. Reddington of Burlingame. He spoke in part as follows:

"If San Mateo county has nothing to gain by the merger it should stay out. If it loses more than it gains it should again stay out. It is of importance therefore to consider what inducements are offered us by San Francisco.

"The promoters of consolidation say we should come in both for economic and sentimental reasons. They say that our transportation problems will be solved, our taxes reduced, water difficulties settled, population increased and property valuations raised. And for sentimental reasons, they say that we should be glad to live and vote in San Francisco and that our prestige will be enhanced thereby. Let us take up these points in rotation:

"The transportation problem. We are told that when Twin Peaks tunnel is finished and a municipal car line built through the bore the road could be extended to the southerly limits of our county. There is a vast difference between possibilities and realities. I do not know what such a road would cost, but I imagine it would amount to quite a sum. The people of San Francisco are the ones to say whether they will bond themselves for such a purpose, and they must say it by means of a two-thirds vote. They have not yet said that they would build such a line, and we are asked to go in on faith. San Mateo county has a voting strength of about 14,000, and San Francisco about 182,000. It is apparent that when we are once in our vote will not count for much on a bond issue.

"Taxation. San Mateo county's tax rate in the unincorporated territory is today \$2.23, and in the municipalities \$1.83. Of this amount about 41 cents is for the county's bonded debt. This covers all county purposes, including the county tax for schools and highways, but does not include special district taxes such as those imposed for our mosquito levy, bonded district school debt, etc. San Francisco's tax rate today is \$2.33, and of this amount 54 cents is for its bonded debt. How the bonded debt would be distributed or apportioned is difficult to say, but the matter would be determined on submission to the voters. On paper it looks as though our tax would become greater, and not less, than now. It should also be borne in mind that San Mateo county assesses on an average 30 per cent valuation, while San Francisco assesses on a 60 per cent valuation."

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INHERITANCE TAX APPRAISER

The appointment of H. C. Tuchen as inheritance tax appraiser in and for the county of San Mateo by State Controller John S. Chambers of Sacramento was filed in the county clerk's office on Thursday. The county is entitled to two such appraisers. Mr. Tuchen takes the place of R. F. Chilcott, who will resign as soon as he winds up the estates he is now handling. The other appraiser is H. W. Schaberg. No better appointment than Mr. Tuchen could have been made. He is a real estate operator and during his business career extending over a period of ten years has handled some very large deals. He is thoroughly acquainted with land values of the peninsula. Owing to his wide experience he has been chosen on various occasions by the Southern Pacific Company and the United Railroads to make appraisements of land. This has often been a difficult task but Mr. Tuchen has always demonstrated his ability to perform the work to the thorough satisfaction of his employers. The selection is a splendid one and the controller may well be commended for his choice.

BURLINGAME RESIDENCE SOLD

The beautiful E. E. Skinner residence on El Camino Real, in Burlingame has been purchased by Karl Phillips of San Francisco, who will make his home there. The Skinners, who have been Burlingame residents for many years, will move to San Francisco for the present.

Mr. Skinner is chairman of the Republican county committee, a position he has ably and enthusiastically filled for the past four years. He is a staunch party man and has worked energetically for the success of the party in San Mateo county. He will most likely establish a winter home in San Rafael and reside in his former home in Humboldt county during the summer. Mr. Skinner is spoken of as a candidate for congress in the first district which includes all the territory from Humboldt to Marin county. He would be a formidable candidate for the place. His friends throughout the district are urging him to make the run two years hence.

JACOBA INFORMATION WANTED

Old timers residing in the county are asked to carefully peruse the following letter from Dr. D. Milton Greene of Detroit, Michigan, who writes to the Times-Gazette asking for information concerning relatives who resided in Redwood City in the seventies. Any information bearing on the subject may be conveyed to this office and will be sent direct to the doctor who will pay for any information given him:

"In 1876 I married Irene E. Johnston, who's aunt was a Mrs. (M?) Jacoba of Redwood City, who died between 1877 and 1881 at Redwood City. Mrs. Jacoba had some nephews who were also cousins to my wife with some such name as Wade, Wilde or Mead. I can not remember the name. My wife had a sister, Leslie Johnston and brother, Charles Johnston.

I would like to get in touch with someone who knew Mrs. Jacoba and the family. If there is some old businessman there who has lived there since the 70's, he would be liable to know of Mrs. Jacoba and her nephews, some of whom likely are living there now.

My wife left there about 1873 or 1874 and came to Mich. She died of tuberculosis in 1885 and I have lost track of the relatives there."

AT THE METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday morning at 11 o'clock, the Rev. Geo. W. White, D. D., superintendent of the San Francisco district will preach and administer the communion. At 7:30 p. m. the pastor will speak on, "A Successful Life—How to Live It." Sunday school at 10 a. m. Epworth League at 6:45 p. m. A cordial welcome is extended to all of our services.

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NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE

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In the matter of the estate of Mary Adams, sometimes known as Mary E. Adams, deceased.—No. 2475. Deft. 10.
Pursuant to an order of sale of the above named court, made on the 26th day of January, 1917, the undersigned administrator for with the will annexed of the above named estate will, on or after the 19th day of February, 1917, sell the real estate described in said order and hereinafter particularly described, at private sale for cash gold coin of the United States. Bids or offers must be in writing and may be filed in the office of Lucius L. Solomon, Room 307 Flatiron Building, 540 Market street, San Francisco, California, or delivered to the administrator personally, or may be filed in the office of the clerk of the court any time after the first publication of this notice. Ten (10) per cent of the amount bid must accompany each offer. The said property is described as follows: Those certain lots, pieces or parcels of land situate in the county of San Mateo, state of California, and bounded and particularly described as follows, to-wit:

Beginning at a point on the southerly line of Santa Cruz avenue, distant thereon south 33 degrees 23 minutes west, 2,890.5 feet from where said southerly line intersects the westerly line of El Camino Real; thence south 56 degrees 37 minutes east, 1,924.3 feet to the northerly line of Middle avenue; thence south thirty-three degrees twenty-three minutes west 296.5 feet along the northerly line of Middle avenue to a point where said northerly line intersects the easterly line of Jenkins avenue; thence north 56 degrees 37 minutes west, along the easterly line of Jenkins avenue, 3,933.3 feet to a point where said easterly line intersects the southerly line of Santa Cruz avenue; and thence north 33 degrees 23 minutes east, along the southerly line of Santa Cruz avenue 596.5 feet to the point of beginning, containing 25.45 acres of land. Said 25.45 acres being shown on a map recorded in Book of Deeds numbered 133, on pages 62 and 63 official records of San Mateo county, California, as belonging to the Mary Adams estate, and to which map, so recorded reference is hereby made.

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FURNITURE—for sale cheap; in good condition. One oak bedroom set; one mahogany sideboard; one folding bed and some porch furniture. Enquire of Miss Tripp, Woodside. Jan 27

STRAYED—from my home at Menlo Park two bay horses; gelding about 1100 lbs. mare about 1200 lbs. Please notify Elwood Varney, 480 Pine street, San Francisco or phone to Redwood City 404. Jan 27

STRAYED—from the J. A. Donohoe place at Menlo Park, three ducks. A reward will be given to any one returning them. Address box 41, Menlo Park. Jan 27

WANTED—To buy old postage and revenue stamps also old envelopes with stamps on them. A. N. GOLDSMITH, Hayward, Cal. R. F. D. 1-115 Jan 13

WANTED—A tract of several acres of land anywhere between San Mateo and Palo Alto. Price must be reasonable. No real estate agents need apply. W. Blessing, 1949—15th street, San Francisco. Jan 20-41

1891-1916—Edgar C. Humphrey, Real Estate Broker, is the Pioneer Specialist in Peninsula Properties and authority on values there. 212 Chronicle Bldg., San Francisco. Residence 215 Arch st., Redwood Highlands. Jan 20-41

The Woman's Club House in Redwood Highlands is for rent afternoons and evenings. Matron in attendance. Communicate with Mrs. J. N. Winter, Redwood City. Dec 17

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THE WEEK'S EVENTS IN LOCAL CIRCLES

Redwood City as Seen Through Incidents Gathered Here and There

Mrs. J. W. Henshall, county library organizer, was here on Wednesday visiting County Librarian Anna Bell Bailey. She spoke very highly of the efficiency of the county official.

The George H. Rice Abstract Co. has just issued its annual calendar. It is the best one issued during the year. It is useful and contains a map of San Mateo county, showing all the road districts and large estates.

David W. Sharon, young son of William Sharon chief gardener at the courthouse grounds, passed away at his home in San Mateo early Thursday morning. He had been ailing for some time from an heart affection. He was a native of San Mateo, aged 29 years.

Miss Emma James of San Francisco and John Wilfred Wyatt of Dixon were united in marriage by Judge Seely on Wednesday. The pretty bride formerly lived in the county.

City Manager Reed of San Jose will speak in the Congregational church tomorrow night at 7:30 o'clock. Every citizen of Redwood should hear him. Mr. Reed's address on the subject, "The Awakening of Civic Conscience." Mr. Reed comes under the auspices of the Men's Club of the church. Special music with a full male choir.

Tonight the new manual training annex will be formally dedicated by the students of the local high school with a dancing party. Through the kindness of the board of trustees this event was made possible. The new building is one of the most modern of its kind in the state, and it speaks well for the enterprise of present day education for Redwood City.

The Chamber of Commerce of San Francisco has just issued a neat pamphlet, a perfect specimen of the printer's art, entitled "Law and Order, a Beginning." It was received yesterday by all the county officials. It was prepared and edited by Edward H. Harbut, a former Redwood City boy and the publicity manager for the Chamber of Commerce.

The all-night dance given by the Druids last Saturday night was well attended. Fully a hundred couples entered the prize waltz contest and danced to the rhythm of the "Missouri Waltz" played by Mullen's Orchestra. The winners of the contest were: Vick Arguello of San Mateo and Alice Twombly of Redwood City, Eric Thompson and Eva Davis of Redwood City and Ed Jennings of San Mateo and Louise Nello of Redwood City.

Robert Gibson, an old pioneer of San Mateo county, passed away last Sunday at the age of 80 years. He was a native of Scotland. He had been ailing for some time. Deceased had resided in the county for nearly half a century, the greater portion of the time he was engaged in teaming. Although having only the use of one hand, he was an expert driver and could drive a six-horse team down mountains with the ease of one not so hampered. The old pioneer was laid to rest in Union cemetery on Monday last.

REDWOOD COUPLE WEDDED ON SATURDAY NIGHT

Miss Frances Hedwig Johnson, who was recently a deputy in the county tax collector's office, became the bride of Charles R. Anderson, a building contractor of Redwood City, at the home of her mother, Mrs. J. B. Willock, on the state highway near Selby Lane, on Saturday night. A reception and wedding breakfast followed the ceremony and was attended by relatives. The young couple will reside in this city. The bride is a charming and accomplished young woman, possessing a genial and pleasant manner, which attributes have won a host of friends. Mr. and Mrs. Anderson have the best wishes of their numerous friends for a long and happy wedded life.

EIGHTEENTH BIRTHDAY PARTY

Miss Viola Kaneln was hostess last Saturday evening to more than one hundred of the younger set when she entertained at a dancing party which was held at the Woman's Club house in Redwood Highlands. The club rooms were elaborately decorated with greens and potted plants, being made gay with the bright hues of many china lanterns. The affair was in honor of this charming young lady's eighteenth birthday, and Miss Kaneln is being complimented far and near as an excellent hostess. Miss Kaneln had as her house guests for the week end Misses Beryl Muller, Naomi Holland and Lillian Henderson, all of San Francisco.

JAS. T. CASEY, SAN MATEO COUNTY STUDEBAKER AGENT

Jas. T. Casey, former supervisor of the first township, has been appointed San Mateo county agent for the Studebaker automobile. He was in Redwood City during the week making preparations for a thorough canvass of the county for the sale of that car. The Studebaker machine is one of the best in the market. He will have no difficulty in finding ready sale of the car.

DOINGS ABOUT THE COUNTY OFFICES

Matters of General Interest to Litigants Culled from the Public Records

Howard Frost, executor of the last will and testament of Charles H. Frost, deceased, has brought suit in the superior court against A. B. Clute and wife to quiet title to a portion of block 19, San Mateo.

G. Guidotti has commenced an action in the superior court against his partner, G. Petroni, to dissolve a partnership existing between the litigants. On January 11, 1915 defendant sold plaintiff a one-eighth interest in a business of growing and raising vegetables at Halfmoon Bay. Defendant managed the affairs of the concern and never accounted to plaintiff. The 70 acres leased by the parties at Halfmoon Bay are now growing \$5,000 worth of vegetables and from the lands a weekly return of \$600 is made. The lease of the property will expire next November. Plaintiff asks that the copartnership be dissolved, that a full accounting of the transactions of the concern be made, that a receiver be appointed, that all debts be paid, that the property of the concern be sold and that the proceeds be divided according to respective interests of the partners. J. J. Bullock is attorney for plaintiff.

NEW TRIAL DENIED—

Judge Buck has denied the motion of the defendant in the case, Kenneth M. Green against the South San Francisco Railroad and Power Company for a new trial. The case was argued and submitted to the court last Friday. The case will now be appealed to the supreme court by the company. Mr. Green was awarded damages by the jury in the superior court some time ago in the sum of \$15,000 for the loss of his arm. He was boarding a train at South San Francisco in 1913 and stumbled on the tracks of the defendant and lost his arm, one of the cars of the Southern Pacific Company running over it. Mr. Green's contention was that defendant should not have left rails protruding above the ground. Judge Buck in denying the motion for a new trial has made the following order:

"The motion for a new trial herein is made upon fourteen grounds. At the hearing of the motion there were but three of the grounds presented. The one most strenuously urged was based upon the affidavit filed herein by the moving party. The court saw nothing in the conduct of plaintiff's attorney in his argument to the jury and the court saw and heard it all, that was improper. The question of excessive damages was not urged and the other matters, other than those above referred to were not presented. Motion for a new trial is denied."

CLAIM SUSTAINED—

Judge Buck has rendered a decision in the case of Bev. W. Wall against the Liberty Film Company giving judgment to plaintiff as prayed for except the item of interest is struck out. The Loop Lumber Company during the two years last past delivered material to defendant amounting to \$1031.34. Before the commencement of the action plaintiff assigned the claim to Bev. W. Wall for collection. The action was begun in superior court on May 17, 1916.

BUILDERS' CONTRACTS—

The following builders' contracts were filed in the county recorder's office during the week:

Thomas M. Flynn agrees to construct two miles of road for E. R. Dimond at Portola for \$4,600. The road is to be graded, retaining walls erected, two bridges built, drains made and curbing done.

PROBATE ORDERS—

Estate of Emma J. Dubois, deceased. Account allowed and settled and petition for distribution granted.

Estate of Charles A. Arden, deceased. Partial hearing had on probate of will and further hearing continued to February 3.

Estate of James E. Husing, deceased. E. A. Husing granted letters of administration with bond fixed at \$6,000.

Estate of Rose L. Sturman, deceased. J. A. Schambacker granted letters of administration with bond fixed at \$350.

Estate of Addie A. Fehr, deceased. Petition of O. J. White for letters of administration dropped from calendar. Petition of Emma Genocchio for letters granted with bond fixed at \$250.

Estate of George Samerther, deceased. Henry Brhm granted letters of administration with bond fixed at \$2,500.

Estate of William H. Hanson, deceased. Sale of real property confirmed. Order of sale of personal property granted.

Estate of John Hanly, deceased. Account allowed and settled and petition for distribution granted.

Estate and guardianship of Wm. Leslie. Order to show cause dropped from calendar.

Estate of James Reed, deceased. Petition for final distribution dropped from calendar.

Estate and guardianship of Wm. Leslie, minor. Account of guardian and petition for discharge submitted.

Estate and guardianship of Alfred Canadas, et al, minors. Petition of Louis Canadas for appointment of guardian dropped from calendar. Petition of Jos. H. Nash for letters of

guardianship granted and bond fixed at \$100, each minor.

Estate and guardianship of Francis W. Bakewell, et al, minors. Elizabeth Bakewell granted letters of guardianship with bonds fixed at \$200, each minor.

PROBATE APPLICATIONS—

Albert H. Coppuck has applied in the superior court for letters of administration upon the estate of Mary J. Coppuck, who died at Los Angeles on January 8, 1917. The estate consists of stock, bonds, etc., in San Mateo county, San Francisco, and elsewhere in the state and in Commonwealth, Pennsylvania. The value of the estate is in excess of \$10,000. The heirs at law are two sons, T. Dayton Coppuck, resident in Griffin, Colorado, and Albert H. Coppuck, living at Burlingame.

Dr. W. A. Brooke has applied in the superior court for letters of administration upon the estate of Chas. A. Hardin, who died on July 10, 1915 in the county of San Mateo. He left a will written and signed by him which is not dated in accordance with law and is not therefore entitled to be admitted to probate as the last will and testament of decedent. A search has been made but no other will has been found. The deceased had no relatives living in the state.

COURT ORDERS—

The People vs. Joseph Flynn. Time to plead continued to February 3. San Mateo County Savings Bank vs. John Partridge, et al. Trial continued to February 8.

Application of First Congregational church of Redwood City for leave to sell real property continued to March 1.

The People vs. G. Squaglin. Defendant sentenced to serve two years in San Quentin.

S. Anasno vs. C. Salvani, et al. Trial set for February 14.

The People vs. Ernest Johnson. Defendant pleads guilty and February 3 set for sentencing.

Charles W. Borden vs. Edward J. Laughrey, et al. Trial set for February 6.

The People vs. E. W. McLellan. De-murder continued to February 8. Frank Marshall vs. James Willison. Motion for change of venue continued to February 8.

Michael Brown vs. H. A. Turner. Motion to strike out continued to February 15.

A. T. Anderson, et al vs. Geo. G. Miller. Judgment ordered for plaintiff Margaret Merrill vs. Whitney Merrill. Motion for attorney fees, costs, etc., dropped from calendar.

Sarah Flagg vs. W. J. Flagg. Trial continued to March 1.

B. Podjarsky vs. Elizabeth Bakewell, et al. Case submitted for argument.

The People vs. S. A. Landini. Time to plead continued to February 3.

Floyd L. Baird, et al vs. C. Cook, et al. Judgment for plaintiff as prayed for.

Albert Brose vs. Alexander Hamilton, et al. Judgment for defendant.

The People vs. Charles Barton. Trial had and jury disagrees. It stood 10 for conviction and 2 for acquittal and retrial set for Feb. 20.

The People vs. J. Kusber. De-murder submitted and time to plead set for February 6.

The People vs. James Nance. Time to plead continued to Feb. 6.

Mary C. Abelman vs. Josephine E. Brown. Trial continued to April 16.

MARRIAGE LICENSES—

Frank Nunes, aged 20, and Mary Ellen Jane Ballard, aged 15, both of Pescadero.

John W. Wyatt, aged 44, Dixon, Salano county, and Emma James, 44, San Francisco.

Louis L. Prince, aged 36, and Alta S. Russell, aged 34, both of San Francisco.

Elbert C. Harrell, aged 29, and Alice Ryan, aged 29, both of San Francisco.

Charles R. Anderson, aged 28, and Frances H. Johnson, aged 20, both of Redwood City.

A. J. Owens, aged 21, and Mary McAllister, aged 21, both of San Francisco.

Michael Susko, aged 29, and Rosie Harcea, aged 28, both of San Mateo.

Joseph Reading, aged 33, and Jane McKenna, aged 23, both of San Francisco.

William A. Robinson, aged 29, and Ellen Lemores, aged 31, both of San Francisco.

DIVORCE ACTIONS—

Myrtle Bascom has brought suit against Clair Bascom for an interlocutory decree of divorce on the ground of desertion. The Bascoms were married at Los Angeles on June 19, 1904 and separated on November 15, 1914. There are two children, Gertrude aged 9 and Alora Bascom aged 7, as a result of the union but no community property. Plaintiff asks for attorney fees in the sum of \$100, alimony, \$50, and costs, \$50.

Virgie Vivian Race has brought divorce proceedings in the superior court against her husband, Benjamin B. Race, for an interlocutory decree of divorce on the ground of extreme cruelty. The Races were married at Santa Rosa on July 16, 1911 and separated on January 1916. The community property consists of Hotel Fisher and bar on B street, San Mateo, worth \$8,000; household furniture valued at \$600 and money in bank amounting to \$750. Defendant has an income of \$200 per month. Plaintiff asks for attorney fees in the sum of \$250; costs, and alimony, \$50. There are no children as a result of the marriage.

GRAND-JURY MAKE FINAL REPORT

Three Months of Official Duty Terminated in Due Form and Jury Dismissed

The grand jury concluded its labors on Wednesday afternoon after being in session since last November. The report was filed by the foreman with Judge Buck in open court and after thanking the members for its work, the court discharged the jury. The report is not very lengthy but contains many commendable recommendations. Attached to the report is the statement of the experts, R. E. and J. J. Brotherton, who have compiled a full statement of the county's finances. It is brief but accurate, giving a full report of transactions of each office. The experts give a clean bill of health to each office showing that the accounts are accurately kept and neatly maintained. The pay of the experts this year was \$480 while the expert last year was paid the sum of \$1,000. The grand jury report speaks in glowing terms of the work of Mr. Eubanks, superintendent of the county hospital and poor farm. It recommends that a better water supply be developed, that a septic tank be installed and that sanitary bathtubs be put in. The committee on jail recommends that none of the old bedding or bed clothes of the present jail be used in the new jail which is to be soon completed. The jury recommends that Senator Johnson and Assemblyman Eubanks amend the gambling laws that making it unlawful to bet on cards, dice, etc.

The report is herewith printed in full:

Honorable Geo. H. Buck, judge of superior court, San Mateo county, California:

In compliance with your charge to this grand jury at the time we were impaneled, we have taken up the adjustment of salaries of the county officials, have made an investigation into the gambling at the Northern and Villa Mateo, and elsewhere in the county, and have made thorough investigations of all complaints brought before this grand jury.

After carefully studying the salary question, we submitted to you a copy of our report with recommendations as to what we considered just salaries for each official, the number of deputies and clerks each office needs at the present time, and the salary each deputy or clerk should receive.

We have made an investigation into gambling at the Northern and Villa Mateo and elsewhere in the county.

We find, after examining many witnesses, that gambling has been conducted at the Northern at different times, and have reason to believe that gambling has been carried on, particularly at the Northern, since the impaneling of this jury and that it is still being conducted at this last named resort.

Owing to the notoriety that is given witnesses whose testimony would be most valuable and their unwillingness to give testimony for fear of such notoriety, we are unable to secure sufficient evidence to warrant the indicting the proprietors of these resorts.

We find that petty gambling exists throughout the county and that there are many "blind pigs" operated.

We believe if the officials of the county and officials of incorporated cities and towns perform their duties, that gambling can be suppressed and "blind pigs" and questionable resorts wiped out.

We have passed a resolution asking our joint senator and assemblyman to take steps to have the law on gambling amended. A copy of this resolution will be found in our report. You will also find attached, reports of various committees with their recommendations.

We have found sufficient evidence in the following cases to warrant indictments:

Geo. E. Jones of Burlingame, misappropriation of public funds.

James Nance, Daly City, illegal voting and false registration.

Jas. Kusber, Daly City, false claim for road work.

S. A. Landini of Daly City, mayhem charge.

Mrs. A. W. Pike, Redwood City, assault with deadly weapon.

We took up the case of H. W. Hagen, ex-treasurer of the city of San Mateo, and after examination of witnesses find that the shortage has been "made-up," and we could not find witnesses who could give proof to the contrary.

Upon the recommendation of this grand jury to the San Bruno officials asking that Mr. Custer be called upon to resign for incompetency, we find that said Mr. Custer did resign, so that no further action was deemed necessary.

We find that there has been a gross expenditure of public funds in some of the road districts and have passed a resolution asking our joint senator and assemblyman to try and secure legislation to do away with present system of road repair and construction. In looking over road claims, especially in the first district, we find that many claims are not presented and filed for several months, and in some cases nearly a year after the work was performed, we do not approve of this slack

method of business, and recommend that no claims be paid that are not presented and filed within sixty days after performing said work.

We found all officers in the courthouse agreeable and courteous to us, and that their offices are well conducted. We found however that there is some feeling among different officials, but believe it to be of a political nature, and do not believe we should take up such matters.

Our expert accountant, Mr. Brotherton, has been obliging and courteous, and very proficient and thorough in his work, and we recommend him to grand juries for services reasonable and fair.

We find that grand juries are given ample opportunities to make recommendations, but no power to see that such recommendations are put in force.

The grand jury in San Mateo county is generally looked upon as a joke or farce. Therefore we recommend that the report of this grand jury be published in order that the public may know what we have done.

We recommend that grand juries be impaneled at the time they are drawn so that they may take up important matters as they come up, and by so doing it would be much easier to secure witnesses.

We believe that one meeting a month would be sufficient to transact all business.

We find many unpaid road claims in the third and fifth districts that have been passed by the board of supervisors but declared illegal. We recommend the payment of these claims.

This grand jury recommends that the board of supervisors pass an ordinance prohibiting skating on the state and county highways as many children are killed or injured annually by autos and other vehicles and it is not always due to the carelessness of the driver.

We were called upon to look into the Belmont schoolhouse which has been condemned by former grand juries. The school trustees were called before us and questioned as to why they allowed their school house to be in such a dilapidated condition, the windows all broken, and rain beating through the opening. It appeared that this gross negligence on part of trustees was done to force a bond election on the people of the district.

A vote of thanks was extended to Miss K. L. Burke for services rendered this jury in typing our reports.

Hon. Board of supervisors of San Mateo county, California, 1916-1917, Gentlemen:

We, the grand jury of San Mateo county, California, find in our investigation that there are many road claims against the county, particularly in the third and fifth districts that have been acted and passed by the board of supervisors, but that payment has been refused on said claims on the ground that they are illegal claims, and we find that most of the claims are for labor honestly performed, and that with the present high cost of living, it has proved a great hardship to many of the claimants not to receive their pay. We believe that a laborer is worthy of his hire, no matter for whom he may work. We believe in laws and justice, but if the two cannot go together, then we believe in justice first. We recommend that your board find a way to pay these claims, and trust that you will give this important matter your early attention and consideration.

We also find that in many instances claimants do not make out their claims, as provided for by law, but that they are made out by some other person other than the claimant. We recommend that this practice be discontinued except only in such cases when the claimant cannot read or write.

We further find that many proprietors of saloons and road houses have been brought before your board charged with illegal acts and violations of the laws of the state and ordinance of the county regarding the sale of liquor. In many instances the charges have been proved, and we find that in many cases licenses have been suspended but only for a short time. We recommend that in future when sufficient evidence is provided or produced to warrant the suspension of a license, that the license be revoked, and that no license be granted any person whose license has been revoked.

We, the grand jury of 1916-1917 find that the motor vehicle act is continuously being violated by drivers of automobiles through excessive speeding in San Mateo county and that this condition is a menace to the public, particularly at night.

We recommend that two extra patrolmen be appointed to patrol the highway between San Francisco and Santa Clara counties and the highway be patrolled at night.

We, the grand jury of 1916-1917, find that many children throughout the county frequent the county and state highway on roller skates and owing to the heavy traffic on the highways, several children have been injured and a death or two noted as a result. We therefore, recommend that an ordinance be drawn prohibiting children from frequenting the state and county highway on roller skates.

COURT MADRONE BANQUET

Court Madrone, No. 155, will hold a banquet next Wednesday night and a whist tournament will commence after the eat, so all the members are requested to be present.

MENLO PARK NEWS OF ALL SORTS

Doings at Peninsula Garden Spot As Told in Breezy Style By Our Reporters

Mr. and Mrs. Poole returned from New York yesterday to occupy their new home at Atherton. Mrs. Poole is a daughter of Mrs. Richard Sprague.

Mrs. Henrietta L. Selby, widow of the late Thomas H. Selby, died in San Francisco Thursday morning at the home of her son, Percy Walker Selby on Post street.

E. H. Wiel and family have given up their apartments in the St. Francis and have moved to their home, at Atherton. They purchased the Thos. Breeze home some years ago.

The Scheelines have leased the Bennet place on Santa Cruz avenue for the summer and will move down from the city on March 1. They occupied the residence last year.

Paul Draycott visited friends on Sunday last. Recently he entered the employ of the government and is at the naval training station at Goat Island preparing to making a long voyage on one of Uncle Sam's battle-ships.

The annual ball and card party for the benefit of homeless children will take place under the auspices of Menlo Parlor, N. S. G. W. and N. D. G. W. in Duff and Doyle hall on February 9th. Admission, gentlemen 50 cents, ladies 25 cents.

"Christ in Art," will be the matter presented at the Presbyterian church Sunday evening. Very beautiful pictures of Christ, by the great artists will be shown by use of the stereoscope. Miss Marie McAniff of Redwood City will sing, "The Old, Old Story."

Mayor James Rolph during the week received five more deer by express from St. Helena for his Alpine ranch. This makes 25 deer that he has received during the past three months. His park will soon contain a splendid herd of the antlered animals.

Mrs. Miles, formerly Mrs. Jack Wilson, and a daughter of Mrs. William Cluff, arrived from Canada on Thursday with her little daughter. They will remain here for the rest of the winter. When Mrs. Miles left the north it was 30 degrees below zero. She is a native daughter and did not enjoy the extreme cold weather so she decided to return for a while to her native land.

The following marriage license was issued by the county clerk of San Francisco on Thursday. Mr. Crane is the only son of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Crane of this place. He is a graduate of Santa Clara University and a chemist of ability. Young Crane is employed by the Shell Oil Company of Martinez. Miss Nash is the pretty and accomplished daughter of Mrs. Thomas Fitzgerald. Both young people have a host of friends who wish them a happy and prosperous career: Crane—Nash—Howard E. Crane, 24, Martinez, and Mollie A. Nash, 22, Menlo Park.

C. Schurtz, formerly proprietor of the Menlo Park hotel, motored from Salinas on Thursday to call on all his old friends. Mr. Schurtz is the proprietor of Hotel Bardin, one of the largest hotels in Salinas. His daughter was recently appointed secretary to the senator from that district. She will act in that capacity during the session of the legislature.

The trustees of Stanford University have awarded a contract for the erection of the new presidential mansion of Dr. Ray Lyman Wilbur. The new structure will be erected on Lagunita Hill, overlooking the Stanford Quadrangle and campus lake. The building will cost \$100,000.

Plans for the Madi Gras fete are interesting peninsula society beyond everything else. The beautiful ball on February 20, with Mrs. Talbot Walker as queen, promises to be one of the most sumptuous of the many events to which society has given approval. Eight ladies in waiting and eight courtiers and the king and queen will form the court. Edmunds Lyman, who has been named sovereign of the carnival, and his list of courtiers, will include Baron Helme von Schroeder, John Parrott, William Parrott and Benson Rose. The ladies in waiting will be Mesdames Horace Hill, Andrew Welch, Charles Keeney, the Misses Helen Jones, Marion Zelle, Helen Keeney, Arabella Schwerin, Gertrude Hopkins and Mrs. Charles Keeney. Mrs. Talbot Walker will reign with dignity and becoming grace, and her beauty will attract many to her shrine. She is to be the most popular queen that ever occupied the throne on such occasions in San Francisco.

Peter Quirk, aged 78 years, died at San Mateo last Monday after a short illness. Death was caused from infirmities due to old age. Quirk was a noted character in Menlo Park in the seventies. At that time he conducted a saloon known as the "Dead Dog." It was a resort for quaint characters. Quirk was a Fenian in his younger days in Ireland and had a narrow escape from the wrath of the English government, that would have hung him had they laid hands on the young Irishman. He went to New York and for a time was a leader of the Fenians there. Quirk came to Menlo Park in the early seventies and remained here until about twenty years ago when he departed for San Mateo. Peter Quirk,

Edward Wall and Thomas Brougham, the Irish schoolmaster, were a distinguished trio, in these parts for years. Friends from childhood, they were always together and what means one had he shared it with the others. Quirk was the last survivor of the noted trio, the two others having passed away a few years ago.

Charlie Chapin is not coming to the big masquerade at Duff and Doyle hall, Menlo Park, on Saturday evening, February 17th. Not at least, as far as we know. He has received no invitation. Nor have we allowed him to see our ads; for Charlie, like all experts in his business, is constantly on the look out for new ideas and new stunts and we are not taking a chance on having the original stunts and screaming costumes being prepared for the big masquerade made a source of profit to the Chapin circuit. Don't you go and tell Charlie about them now. Redwood City and Palo Alto also are sending large parties to the masquerade, each boasting it will carry away from Menlo the first prize costume. To meet the emergency, Harry Morey has promised not to wear the usual Mother Hubbard this time, but to appear in an entirely new and surprising costume that will fool all his friends, which means, of course, every one in the hall. Jack Doyle won't be an Indian either, but we are not allowed to tell what he will be, except that, as usual, he will be thoroughly original. A certain Miss Davies who has the skill of all the great pianists bound up in her ten little fingers and Mr. Southwood, who rat-a-tats perfectly to the touch of the twinkling little feet of our dancers will do the music for that wonderful evening at Duff and Doyle hall, Saturday, February 17th.

WOODSIDE NEWSITEMS

Judge Buck on Thursday confirmed the sale of 46 acres of land located at La Honda and belonging to the Will H. Hanson estate to W. J. Sullivan for \$5500. There were no other bidders for the property.

A deed was filed for record in the recorder's office at Redwood City yesterday whereby L. M. Peters transfers nearly 30 acres of land, known as the Peters Place at Portola to E. R. Dimond. The consideration is not mentioned in the deed.

Carl Benson, charged with failure to provide for his wife and children, was acquitted before a jury in Judge Buck's court at Redwood City last Wednesday, the jury being out but a few minutes. It was the shortest trial on record, only taking two hours to try it. The complainant is the wife, Gerda Benson, who is employed as a domestic at the Fleishacker home in Woodside.

E. R. Dimond has awarded a contract to Thomas M. Flynn for the construction of a scenic road through his property at Portola to the Rapley ranch which he has just purchased. It is to be a winding road through the wooded portion of the big estate to the top of the mountains. It is to have a concrete base with topeka top. There are to be retaining walls and two bridges erected. When completed it will be one of the most scenic and beautiful private roads in the county.

DOINGS AT PESCADERO

Manuel Goularte has opened his new garage. He will do a big business as he intends giving his patrons a first-class service.

A new cannery is being erected a mile south of Pescadero for canning and preserving vegetables

